

NO PLACE LIKE HOME FOR SHELTER ANIMALS

RSPCA South Australia selected as Wizard of Oz charity partner

RSPCA South Australia is excited to have been selected as the official charity partner of The Wizard of Oz stage show, which will be hitting Adelaide next April.

Producers John Frost and Suzanne Jones today announced their canine stars who will play the role of Toto in the upcoming Australian tour of the world's favourite musical, *The Wizard of Oz*. Taking on the role of Dorothy's loyal companion will be Australian Cairn Terriers **Flick** and **Trouble**, who will share the role of Toto. The producers are also delighted to announce that they will be partnering with **RSPCA** as their official charity partner, which will see the production raise funds for the charity.

Flick and Trouble, who hail from Ballarat, will be having fun alongside Samantha Dodemaide who has been selected to play Dorothy in the performance.

"We are absolutely thrilled to be collaborating with RSPCA South Australia as our chosen official charity partner," Suzanne Jones said.

"With Toto being one of the most-loved characters in the show, it seemed a logical and rewarding partnership.

"As Dorothy discovers 'there is no place like home'; so we are looking forward to working with RSPCA in each state to raise money and awareness for 'rescue dogs', animals who have been abandoned, to help them find a new and forever home."

Yvonne Martin-Clark, Executive Manager of Fundraising & Marketing at RSPCA South Australia said, "RSPCA South Australia cares for around 10,000 animals every year, many of which are abandoned, unwanted or lost. Despite all the special care animals receive at RSPCA South Australia, there really is no place like a loving home.

“We are very excited to have been selected as charity partner and money raised will go to RSPCA South Australia’s important work to reunite lost pets with their families, and finding forever homes for thousands of animals each year.”

To raise funds for RSPCA South Australia, an allocation of tickets will be set aside for a performance of *The Wizard of Oz* in Adelaide. Funds raised from the sale of these tickets will be donated to RSPCA South Australia to support their local animal care and adoption facilities. Performance and ticket details will be available soon.

Flick and Trouble will join *The Wizard of Oz* cast beside **Anthony Warlow** as The Wizard and Professor Marvel, **Lucy Durack** as Glinda the Good Witch, **Jemma Rix** as The Wicked Witch of the West and **Samantha Dodemaide** as Dorothy, which is set to be in Adelaide from April 3 next year.

Developed from the ever-popular MGM screenplay, the London Palladium production of *The Wizard of Oz* contains the beloved Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg songs from the Oscar®-winning movie score, all the favorite characters and iconic moments, plus a few surprises along the way, including new songs by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Audiences are invited to click their heels together and join Scarecrow, Tin Man, Lion, Dorothy and her little dog Toto, as they journey through the magical land of Oz to meet the Wizard and obtain their hearts’ desires - all for a good cause. Watch out for the charity performance and ticket details to be announced soon.

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